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10TH CIRCUIT COURT AND 70TH DISTRICT COURT

10th Circuit Court Local Administrative Order No. 2013- J 70th District Court Local Administrative Order No. 2013- J

ORDER FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A VETERANS' TREATMENT COURT

IT IS ORDERED:

The purpose of this order is to establish a Veterans' Treatment Court in the 70th District Court, Saginaw County upon approval by the State Court Administrative Office (SCAO). All policies and procedures comply with 10 Key Components for a Veterans' Treatment Court, a copy of which is attached (Attachment A).

- The court has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with each participating county
 prosecuting attorney in the circuit and district court, a representative of the criminal defense bar, a
 representative of community treatment providers and other key parties. The Memorandum of
 Understanding shall describe the role of each party. The Memorandum of Understanding is attached
 (Attachment B).
- 2. The court has established eligibility criteria as part of Attachment B. Any statement or other information obtained as a result of participating in a substance abuse or mental health assessment shall be deemed confidential and shall not be used in any criminal prosecution against the veteran.
- 3. No participant shall be admitted until a complete preadmission screening and substance abuse and/or mental health assessment are completed.
- 4. All participants shall sign a voluntary written consent to participate in the program.
- 5. The court shall maintain case files in compliance with Trial Court General Schedule 16, the Michigan Case File Management Standards, and Part 2 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations to assure confidentiality of drug treatment court records.

| Effective Date: | _, 2013 |
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| Date: 6/21/13 | (ASCA) |
| | FRED L. BORCHARD, CHIEF JUDGE |
| | 10 TH CIRCUIT COURT |
| Date: 6-2(-(3 | M. RANDALL JURRENS, CHIEF JUDGE |

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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Between the Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center, Saginaw, Michigan And

Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court (SCVTC), Saginaw County, Michigan

Background: Each year hundreds of Veterans are charged with misdemeanor crimes or ordinance violations within the jurisdiction of the Saginaw County Veterans Court which includes the 70th District Court and 10th Circuit Court. Many of these Veterans have medical conditions, including those related to their military service. Veterans who are charged with eligible misdemeanor and/or felony crimes often need rehabilitative serves that are not otherwise available to them except through the Department of Veterans Affairs (hereinafter "VA"). The 70th District Court and 10th Circuit Court have agreed to establish a Veterans Treatment Court in Saginaw County, Michigan (hereinafter "SCVTC") to work with VA to divert select members of this Veteran population who are charged with eligible misdemeanor or felony crimes away from jail and into appropriate rehabilitative programs.

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter "MOU") between the Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center (hereinafter "VAMC") and the SCVTC is to establish the responsibilities of VA and the SCVTC, which will provide interested Veterans charged with eligible misdemeanor or felony crimes within the jurisdiction of the SCVTC with an opportunity to realize better outcomes in their contact with the criminal justice system through utilization of VA rehabilitative programs.

<u>Authority</u>: The SCVTC has the authority to operate the Veterans Treatment Court pursuant to its judicial powers and Michigan Public Act 335 of 2012. VA has the authority to administer programs and provide healthcare to eligible Veterans pursuant to Title 38 of the United States Code. This MOU is not intended to confer or create authority not already in existence. The parties to this MOU agree and understand that VA eligibility statues and rules will dictate whether Veteran-defendants who appear in the Veterans Treatment Court are authorized to receive medical treatment at the Aleda E.

Lutz VA Medial Center in Saginaw, Michigan. The parties further agree that VA personnel have the sole authority to interpret the VA health care eligibility rules.

The Parties to this MOU agree as follows:

- 1. The Veterans Treatment Court will include representatives of the 70th District Court, 10th Circuit Court, Saginaw County Community Mental Health, The Saginaw County Department of Veterans Services, and Saginaw County Prosecutor's Office who will assist in the planning, development and application of the Veterans Court.
- 2. Veterans charged with misdemeanor and felony crimes may be eligible to enter the Veterans Court program.
- 3. The Veterans Treatment Court is a voluntary program, which requires Veterans charged with certain crimes to agree in writing and on the record during a hearing to enter into the Veterans Treatment Court.
- 4. The SCVTC shall be responsible for having the Veteran-defendant sign all necessary forms provided by the Court, including those allowing a release of the Veterans-defendant's health information from VA to the SCVTC, which includes the 70th District Court and 10th Circuit Court to VA. The parties understand and agree that if the authorization to release information is revoked by the Veteran-defendant at any time, VA will be unable to provide any information to the SCVTC pursuant to Federal privacy and confidentiality laws, absent a valid order signed by a SCVTC judge. Furthermore, the parties agree and understand that VA medical records and claims records of Veteran-defendants are subject to the provisions in the "Confidentiality of Veteran Records" section below.

- 5. The parties will collaborate and cooperate for the purpose of developing and implementing necessary forms to be utilized to fulfill the requirements of the Veterans Treatment Court and to create a viable data collection process for a review of the efficacy of the Veterans Treatment Court at the conclusion of the one year trial period.
- 6. The Saginaw VAMC shall provide one liaison to the Veterans Treatment Court whose responsibilities shall include:
 - a. Maintaining the authorizations signed by each Veteran-defendant for release for information from the Veteran-defendant's VA medical record to the SCVTC. The liaison will provide the authorization forms to the SCVTC;
 - b. Appearing at the Veterans Court to respond to court inquiries and assist with scheduling of appointments at the SCVTC;
 - c. Providing status reports concerning the Veteran-defendant's treatment to the SCVTC on a regular basis as requested;
 - d. Assisting in treatment planning for Veteran-defendants; and
 - e. Providing assistance to Veteran-defendants to enroll in VA health care and establish eligibility for the care.
- 7. Upon a determination by the SCVTC judge presiding over a Veteran-defendant's case that VA health care for the Veteran-defendant would be an appropriate judicial recommendation, the judge will refer the Veteran-defendant to the VA to develop recommendations for a treatment plan for the eligibility Veteran-defendant. In making the referral, the judge will consider an assessment by a representative of the Saginaw VAMC and SCVTC independent evaluator. The SCVTC agrees that its referral for treatment shall be general and it is within the

discretion of the VA to develop a specific treatment plan for eligible Veterandefendants. The treatment plan recommended by VA will be provided to the independent evaluator designated by the SCVTC for presentation to the judge presiding over the Veteran-defendant's case. If the judge does not agree that the treatment plan will achieve judicial objectives, an attempt shall be made to reach an agreement for a mutually agreeable treatment plan; however, in the absence of such an agreement, the SCVTC shall seek alternative treatment options from other sources in the community.

- 8. In order to initiate re-entry planning and to promote sound clinical continuity of care for Veteran-defendants, a Saginaw VAMC evaluator may perform a psychosocial assessment of a Veteran-defendant who is incarcerated only if the Veteran-defendant is in a pre-release status (usually within six months of the release date.) VA will not furnish hospital or outpatient care to a Veteran-defendant who is an inmate in an institution of another government agency if that agency has a duty to provide the care and services. 38 U.S.C. §1710(h); 38 C.F.R. §17.38(C)(5).
- 9. The parties understand and agree that the VA shall only provide treatment through programs and services the Aleda E. Lutz Medical Center has available and for which an enrolled Veteran is eligible under Federal law, and that the VA may be limited in its treatment options due to budget and availability of providers. The parties also understand and agree that Veteran-defendants participating in the SCVTC will not receive a priority for care from VA just because they are participating in the Veterans Treatment Court.
- 10. The SCVTC agrees to locate alternative treatment options existing within the community if:
 - a. the Veteran-defendant is not eligible for VA care,

- b. the Saginaw VAMC is unable to provide treatment within the time frame mandated by the Veterans Court,
- c. the Saginaw VAMC is unable to provide treatment at the level mandated by the Veterans Court, or
- d. Saginaw VACM is unable to provide treatment for any other reason.
- 11. The VA's authority to pay for a Veteran-defendant's non-emergency care at non-VA facilities is generally limited to those specific situations set forth in 38 U.S.C. §1703.
- 12. In order to assist in treatment planning, the SCVTC agrees to provide VA with the Veteran-defendant's criminal history and current charges at the time of referral to VA.
- 13. The Veterans Court Mentor Court Program shall be the responsibility of the SCVTC.
- 14. The parties shall not make any statements, representations or commitments of any kind, to bind another party except as expressly provided herein or otherwise agreed to by the parties in writing.
- 15. Confidentiality of Veteran Records: VA medical and claims records are and shall remain the property of VA and shall not be removed or transferred from VA except in accordance with 5 U.S.C. §552a (Privacy Act), 38 U.S.C. §5701 (Confidentiality of Claimants Records), 5 U.S.C. §552 (FOIA), 38 U.S.C. §5705 (Confidentiality of Medical Quality Assurance Records), 38 U.S.C. §7332 (Confidentiality of Certain Medical Records), Public Law 104-191 enacted in August 21, 1996 (Health Insurance Portability and Privacy Act of 1996) and any other pertinent Federal laws, rules and regulations. Subject to applicable

Federal confidentiality and privacy laws, Veterans or their designated representatives may have access to information from VA's records, upon request during normal business hours.

All individually identifiable health information shall be treated as confidential by the parties to this MOU in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations governing the confidentiality and privacy of individually identifiable health information.

- 16. <u>Independent Contractors</u>: For the purpose of this MOU, the relationship of the parties shall not be construed or interpreted to be a partnership, association, joint venture, or agency. The relationship between the parties to this MOU is an independent contractor relationship and neither party will be an agent, representative, or employee of the other party. No party shall have the authority to make any statements, representations, or commitments of any kind or to take any action that shall be binding on another party, except as may be expressly provided for herein or authorized in writing with the agreement of the other parties.
- 17. <u>Liability</u>: Each party shall retain all the rights and remedies available under applicable Federal and State laws. Each party shall be responsible and liable for the errors and omissions of their employees to the extent provided by law. VA employees performing under this MOU are covered by the individual liability protections of the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) (28 U.S.C. §2679 (b)-(d)) and do not carry separate insurance. VA contractors are not covered by the FTCA.

18. <u>Notices</u>: Any notices required or resulting from this MOU shall be in writing and made to the following:

Saginaw VAMC:
Kelly Walraven-Swartz LMSW
Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center
Veterans Justice Outreach Coordinator
1500 Weiss Street
Saginaw, Michigan 48602
(989) 497-2500 ext 11916

SCVTC: Cheryl B. Jarzabkowski Court Administrator Saginaw County District Court 111 S. Michigan Avenue Saginaw, Michigan 48602 (989) 790-5596

19. Term of Agreement: The term of this MOU is one year commencing on its effective date. This MOU will become effective on the date that all parties have signed it. This MOU will automatically be renewed for consecutive one year terms unless amended or unless any party terminates its participation in this MOU by providing written notice to all other parties not less than thirty days prior to the effective date of such termination. If a party terminates participation in the MOU, the parties agree to honor any and all agreements entered into with participating Veteran-defendants until the conclusion of their respective cases pending in the Veterans Court.

| ACCEPTED FOR THE SAGINAW VA HOSPITAL. | / / |
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| ACCEPTED FOR THE SCVTC: | |
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| HONORABLE M. RANDALL JURRENS | DATE |
| District Court Chief Judge | |
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| HONORABLE KYLE HIGGS TARRANT | DATE |
| District Court Judge | |

ATTACHMENT B Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court Memorandum of Understanding

This memorandum officially acknowledges the affiliation, relationship and understanding among the 10th Circuit Court, 70th District Court, Saginaw County Prosecutor's Office, Saginaw County Sheriff's Department, Saginaw County Department of Veterans Services, and Saginaw County Community Mental Health to participate in a coordinated Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court (SCVTC).

Mission

To serve Saginaw County veterans in the criminal justice system through a specialized treatment court docket focusing on substance abuse and mental health treatment.

Vision

Establish a specialty court which will identify those defendants who have been charged with either a misdemeanor or felony offense that is related to a disability incurred as a result of serving in the United States Armed Forces to:

- 1. Provide veteran mentors to veteran defendants.
- 2. Provide intensive probation monitoring and court supervision.
- 3. Coordinate services between the courts, probation officers, the VA and any service providers.
- 4. Treat the needs of the veteran promptly and professionally.

Structure of the Veterans Treatment Court

The Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court will be comprised of the 10th Circuit Court and 70th District Court. All participating courts will share resources including: mentor services, VA contacts and services, court appointed defense attorneys, and forms. SCVTC cases will include defendants

who have served or are serving in the United States Armed Forces. The cases may include both felonies and misdemeanors.

By design, this specialty court will provide defendants with a structure to obtain the necessary treatment to minimize the likelihood of future criminal court involvement. The court is highly interactive. This ensures that all those involved in the process have access to each other and share information and treatment goals toward one end: help the veteran succeed.

Entry into the Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court

Entry into the SCVTC shall be governed by MCL 600.1205. The Veterans Treatment Court may accept referrals from the appropriate prosecuting authority, any of the Courts of Saginaw County, or the Veteran Administration. When the prosecuting authority or a Judge determines that he or she has a potential candidate it must first be determined if the individual is an eligible veteran. A form with instructions to access this information will be provided to all prosecuting authorities and will be submitted to the Saginaw VA Medical Center. Upon receiving notification that the person is an eligible veteran, the veteran shall obtain a substance abuse/mental health assessment through the Saginaw VA Medical Center.

A Veterans Treatment Court representative may review the daily jail booking report to find eligible participants for the program. If the representative finds a qualified veteran a screening process will be completed. Once the screening process is completed, the representative or his/her designee will contact the Veterans Treatment Court for consideration.

Logistics of the SCVTC sessions

The sessions of the SCVTC may be held every week. From time to time a weekly session may be adjourned depending on judicial availability. Prior to the commencement of each formal court session, staff meeting will be held to

address any necessary issues related to the veterans appearing before the court for that session. Initially, each participating veteran shall attend weekly sessions before the court. Frequency of attendance may vary depending on the veteran's progress or lack thereof.

In the formal court session, each veteran will appear before the judge for a review of developments since the last court date. A veteran mentor will also be available to consult with the veteran.

Eligibility - Personal

Any honorably discharged veteran is eligible for the SCVTC.

Eligibility - Charge(s)

Any honorably discharged veteran who pleads guilty or is convicted of any misdemeanor and/or felony except for crimes listed on Exhibit 1 of the Letter of Agreement are eligible for entry into the Veterans' Court. An individual shall not be admitted to, or remain in, veterans treatment court under an agreement that would permit the discharge or dismissal of a <u>traffic offense</u> upon successful completion of the Veterans Court Treatment Program.

Plea Bargaining and Case Processing Policies

Plea bargains, in contemplation of entry into the Veterans' Court, shall specifically address whether the agreement involves a deferred or delayed sentence pursuant to the provisions of MCL 771.1; MCL 333.7411; MCL 762.11; MCL 769.4a; or 436.1703(3). A record shall be made as to whether the charges will be dismissed if the defendant successfully completes the Veterans' Treament Court.

Felony Cases

If the defendant qualifies for Veterans Treatment Court and the Circuit Court Judge, Defense Counsel, VA Representative, and the Veterans Treatment Court Judge all agree to his/her entry into the program, the Circuit Court Judge shall execute an order transferring the case to the Veterans Treatment Court after acceptance of a plea of guilty by the original assigned Judge.

Procedure

If the individual is willing to participate in the Veterans Treatment Court program he/she will sign an agreement with the Veterans Treatment Court and VA, enter a plea of guilty to the allegations, and consent to an order for substance abuse and/or mental health treatment. With the approval of the Saginaw County Prosecutor, sentencing may be delayed pursuant to MCL 771.1 for not more than one year provided that the individual complies with treatment, or participation in Veterans Treatment Court may be imposed as a condition of probation following the entry of a judgment of sentence. If the individual is not willing to participate in the program the case shall continue in the normal fashion in the 10th Circuit Court. An individual shall not be admitted to, or remain in, Veterans Treatment Court under an agreement that would permit the discharge or dismissal of a traffic offense upon successful completion of the Veterans Court Treatment program.

Upon acceptance of the guilty plea, the case will be transferred to the Veterans Treatment Court Judge for participation in the Veterans Treatment Court. If the participation is successful, the case may be dismissed or closed pursuant to the protocol as set forth in this order. If the defendant does not successfully participate, the case shall be referred back to the assigned circuit court judge and scheduled for sentencing.

Misdemeanor Cases

If the defendant qualifies for Veterans Treatment Court and the District Court Judge, Defense Counsel, VA Representative, and the Veterans Treatment Court Judge all agree to his/her entry into the program, the District Court Judge shall execute an order transferring the case to the Veterans Treatment Court after the original assigned Judge accepts the plea.

Procedure

If the individual is willing to participate in the Veterans Treatment Court program, he/she will sign an agreement with the Veterans Treatment Court and VA, enter a plea of guilty to the allegations, and consent to an order for substance abuse and/or mental health treatment. Sentencing may be delayed pursuant to MCL 771.1 for not more than one year provided that the individual complies with treatment, or participation in Veterans Treatment Court may be imposed as a condition of probation following the entry of a judgment of sentence. If the individual is not willing to participate in the program, the case shall continue in the normal fashion in the 70th District Court. An individual shall not be admitted to, or remain in, veterans treatment court under an agreement that would permit the discharge or dismissal of a traffic offense upon successful completion of the Veterans Court Treatment Program.

Probation Overview/Reviews

Defendants may be placed on probation for up to two years. They will be assigned a probation officer as well as a veteran mentor. As part of the probation, there will be standard probation conditions that the defendant is required to follow. Those conditions are as follows:

- 1. The defendant shall not commit any criminal offenses.
- 2. The defendant shall not leave the state without prior permission.
- 3. The defendant shall report to the probation officer as directed by the court.

- 4. The defendant shall inform the probation officer of all changes of addresses and changes of employment.
- 5. The defendant shall not purchase, possess or consume any alcohol or illegal drugs.
- 6. The defendant will also be required to attend counseling as directed by the Veterans Administration or a local agency designated by the Veterans Administration. The counseling could be substance abuse and/or mental health counseling. The defendant shall comply with all requirements of the counseling programs.
- 7. The defendant shall complete substance abuse testing as may be ordered by the court.

Violations

In a misdemeanor case if the court finds that individual did not comply with the conditions of his/her sentence, violations and sentencing for violations shall take place before the Veterans Treatment Court Judge. In the case of a felony, if the defendant is found in violation, the matter shall be transferred back to the original judge for sentencing and/or other disposition.

The Court will report the conviction and final outcome of the case as required by statute and court rule. The Court will restrict access to VA treatment records and communications as set forth in the State Court Administrative Office Non-Public and Limited Access to Court Records Chart.

The VA representative shall notify the Court in writing of non-compliance on the part of the defendant.

Funding

The Courts listed above will use available Judges, staff, and resources to operate the Veterans Treatment Court. The Veterans Treatment Court may also utilize resources from the United States Administration, state funding, and local agencies.

Evaluation and Data Collection

The Veterans Treatment Court Judge(s) shall review and evaluate the program annually. In addition, records of each hearing and all files shall be maintained by existing court staff in compliance with Trial Court General Schedule 16, and Part 2 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations to ensure confidentiality of Veterans Treatment Court records. This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended from time to time with the agreement of all the principal stakeholders (or their successors) listed below.

Roles of the Parties

The following stakeholders shall have the following duties in the Veterans Treatment Court. The list should not be interpreted to include all of the duties required of the individual stakeholder.

Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs - ATTACHMENT C

Attachment C is a separate Memorandum of Understanding entered between the Saginaw County Veterans Treatment Court and the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. All signers of this Memorandum of Understanding have had an opportunity to review Attachment C.

The Veterans Treatment Court Judge shall approve or deny entry into the program, conduct all hearings including review hearings, approve all participating treatment providers and treatment programs, assist all other

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EXHIBIT 1 INELIGIBLE FELONY OFFENSE

Alphabetic Listing

| OFFENSE | MCL# |
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| Accosting, Enticing, or Soliciting Child for Immoral Purpose | 750.145A |
| Assault with Intent to Commit Criminal Sexual Conduct | 750.479a(6) |
| Assault with Intent to Commit Felony | 750.520G |
| Assault with Intent to Commit Murder | 750.87 |
| Assault with Intent to Great Bodily Harm | 750.84 |
| Assault with Intent to Maim | 750.86 |
| Assault with Intent to Rob or Steal, Unarmed | 750.88 |
| Assault with Intent to Rob or Steal, Armed | 750.89 |
| Attempt to Murder | 750.91 |
| Bank, Safe, or Vault Robbery | 750.531 |
| Burning Dwelling House | 750.72 |
| Burning of Other Real Property | 750.73 |
| Burning of Personal Property Over \$200 | 750.7 (c) or (d) |
| Careless Use of Firearm to Kill | 752.861 |
| Carjacking | 750.529a |
| Child Abuse, 1 st Degree | 750.136b(2) |
| Child Abuse, 2 nd Degree | 750.136b(3) |
| Child Abuse, 3 rd Degree | 750.136b(4) |
| Child Abuse, 4 th Degree | 750.136b(5) |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct, 1st Degree | 750.520B |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct, 2 nd Degree | 750.520C |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct, 3 rd Degree | 750.520D |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct, 4 th Degree | 750.520E |
| Criminal Sexual Conduct, Second or More Offenses | 750.520F |
| Child Sexually Abusive Material/Activity-Distributing/Promoting | 750.145C3 |
| Child Sexually Abusive Materials – Possession | 750.145C4 |
| Domestic Assault, 3 rd Offense | 750.81(4) |
| Explosives, Sending with Intent to Injure | 750.204 |
| Explosives, Placing with Intent to Destroy or Injure | 750.207 |
| Explosives, Placing Offensive Substance with Intent | 750.209 |
| Explosives, Possession with Intent to Use Unlawfully | 750.210 |
| Explosive Device, Construction, Use, Possession | 750.211a |
| Extortion | 750.213 |
| Felonious Assault (when a firearm is involved) | 750.82 |
| Felonious Driving | 752.191 |
| Fleeing & Eluding, 4 th Degree | 750.479a(2) |
| Fleeing & Eluding, 3 rd Degree | 750.479a(3) |
| Fleeing & Eluding, 2 nd Degree | 750.479a(4) |
| Fleeing & Eluding, 1st Degree | 750.479a(5) |
| Gross Indecency Between Males | 750.338 |
| Gross Indecency Between Females | 750.338(a) |
| Gross Indecency Between Males and Females | 750.338(b) |

| Home Invasion, 1 st Degree | 750.110a(2) |
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| Home Invasion, 2 nd Degree | 750.110a(3) |
| Inciting a Riot | 752.542 |
| Jail Break – Armed | 750.197 |
| Kidnapping | 750.349 |
| Malicious Destruction of Police/Fire Dept. Property | 50.377b |
| Manslaughter | 750.321 |
| Mayhem | 750.397 |
| Murder, 1 st Degree | 750.316 |
| Murder, 2 nd Degree | 750.317 |
| Negligent Homicide | 750.324 |
| Offense by Sexually Delinquent | 767.61a |
| Riot | 750.541 |
| Robbery, Armed | 750.529 |
| Robbery, Unarmed | 750.530 |
| Sodomy | 750.158 |
| Stalking, Aggravated | 750.411i |
| Use of Internet to Exploit or Solicit a Minor | 750.145d |
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stockholders in evaluating and improving the program, and otherwise oversee court staff and the operation of the Veterans Treatment Court.

The Saginaw County Prosecuting Attorney (or appropriate prosecuting authority) shall make recommendations and approve proposed plea agreements, and assist all other stakeholders in evaluating and improving the program.

The Saginaw County Sheriff shall assist the VA representatives with data collection relative to the screening process for entry into the program, transport the defendants to all necessary court hearings, and process all defendants who are released from the Saginaw County Jail. The Saginaw County Sheriff shall assist all other stakeholders in evaluating and improving the program.

The Saginaw County Department of Veterans Services shall find and train mentors for the program. The Department of Veterans Services shall make claims to the VA whenever necessary for VA benefits that may be available to defendants. The Department of Veterans Services shall assist all other stakeholders in evaluating and improving the program.

Date: 6-12-13

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